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The Honorable Bill Hardiman, Chair
Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on DHS
Michigan State Senate
State Capitol
Lansing, Michigan 48933

The Honorable Rick Shaffer, Chair
House Appropriations Subcommittee on DHS
Michigan House of Representatives
Lansing, Michigan 48933

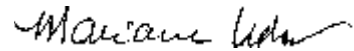
Dear Senator Hardiman and Representative Shaffer:

Section 715(2) of 2005 Public Act 147 (Enrolled Senate Bill No. 271) requires the Department of Human Services to report “ . . . *on the status of implementing recommendations of the 2001 joint house and senate task force on juvenile justice, including, but not limited to, the following: (a) Mentoring programs that focus on improving communication and collaboration, encourage quality mentoring programs, recruitment of mentors, and increasing public awareness of and participation in programs for at-risk youth. (b) Discussion of programs relating to juvenile information networks as an Internet-based communication tool that assists with case management of juvenile offenders in the area. (c) Discussion of the possibility of implementing a program modeled after the ‘Wisconsin citizenship initiative’ to collaborate with the before- or after-school programs offered under the authority of this act. (d) Exploration of the option of a summit conducted via the internet to discuss measures relating to the prevention and intervention of at-risk youth. (e) Discussion of California’s eight percent early intervention’ program that focuses on aggressive early intervention and treatment of young, high at-risk juvenile offenders and their families. (f) Multisystem therapy. (g) Youth services projects. (h) Community services projects.*

Recommendations (a), (c), (e), (f), (g), and (h) were topics at the Balanced and Restorative Justice conference held by the department in May, 2004. At this conference, presentations were made on these topics to all attendees. Recommendation (b) has been discussed and implemented via the Juvenile Justice On-Line Technology (JJOLT) system.

If you have any questions, please contact John Sorbet, Chief Administrative Officer, at (517)373-7787.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marianne Udow".

Marianne Udow

cc: Senate and House Appropriations Subcommittee on DHS
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